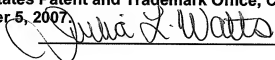


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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 5, 2007.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of Claim 1-7 and 9-14 as being anticipated under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) by the Ylitalo, et al. '753 patent are requested. The Examiner asserts that Ylitalo '753 discloses an ink-jet ink which is substantially free of water and refers to the examples for this purpose. The Examiner further asserts that the ink-jet ink of Ylitalo is free from volatile organic solvents and multi-functional (meth)acrylates, again referring to the examples. The Examiner argues that the ink-jet inks of the examples of the reference comprise at least one mono-functional (meth)acrylate monomer referring to column 11, lines 20-40, at least one unsaturated ether monomer referring to column 8, lines 35-45 and column 11, lines 20-25, at least